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SUBJECT: CODEL HAYAKAWA

REF: (A) LUSAKA 1891 (NOTAL), (B) PRETORIA 3069 (NOTAL, (C) PRETORIA 3074 (NOTAL),

1. AS YOU KNOW FROM REF (B), I HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO REMAIN IN LUSAKA LONG ENOUGH TO MEET WITH SENATOR HAYAKAWA. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM PRETORIA (REF C REPEATED BELOW IN PARA 2), INDICATING THAT THE SENATOR HAS MADE A STRONG COMMITMENT DIRECTLY TO IAN SMITH TO BACK THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT. WHETHER OR NOT HIS DISPOSITION TO FAVOR THE INTERNAL PLAN WILL BE AFFECTED BY HIS STAY IN SALISBURY TODAY AND TOMORROW MORNING, THE NEED FOR HAYAKAWA TO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF A BALANCED PERSPECTIVE IS QUITE EVIDENT. DON NORLAND OR FRANK ALBERTI WILL HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE WITH HIM DURING HIS MAY 31-JUNE 1 STOP IN GABORONE AS WILL OUR STAFF IN PRETORIA THE EVENING OF JUNE 1, BUT I THINK CONFIDENTIAL

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A SESSION WITH YOU AND POSSIBLY GRAHAM WOULD STILL BE HELPFUL.

2. TEXT OF PRETORIA 3074: SENATOR HAYAKAWA WAS ANXIOUS TO REACH PRIME MINISTER SMITH PRIOR TO THEIR (CODEL) DEPARTURE FOR SALISBURY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. ACCORDINGLY WE TALKED WITH HAWKINS AGAIN WHO GAVE US A NUMBER FOR SMITH'S HOLIDAY RETREAT. THE SENATOR GOT THROUGH TO SMITH AND SPOKE FOR

ABOUT TEN MINUTES. MCDONALD OVERHEARD MOST OF THE CONVERSATION. HAYAKAWA. WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A PERSONAL, FACE-TO-FACE EXCHANGE, APPARENTLY FELT OBLIGATED TO LAY BEFORE SMITH HIS OWN PREDISPOSITION ON THE ISSUE. HE, THEREFORE, TOLD SMITH THAT HE FULLY SUPPORTED THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT, FELT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION REMISS IN ITS CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAN, AND THAT HE (HAYAKAWA) WOULD BE DOING ALL HE COULD ON THE SENATE FLOOR TO PROMOTE THE INTERNAL PARTIES. IN THE OPINIONS OF THE STATE ESCORT OFFICER AND ONE OF THE STAFFERS. THE SENATOR PROBABLY WOULD HAVE HANDLED THE SITUATION DIFFERENT-LY IF IT WAS PERSON-TO-PERSON. OVER THE TELEPHONE. THEY FELT. HE GAVE AWAY ANY BARGAINING CHIPS HE MIGHT HAVE HELD OTHERWISE TO URGE CONCESSIONS ON SMITH IN RETURN FOR CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT. SMITH WAS UNDOUBTEDLY LEFT WITH THE IMPRESSION OF UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT BY HAYAKAWA, WHETHER OR NOT THAT WAS THE INTENTION. **EDMONDSON**

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